Public Comment-Group 2

From:

Peter Wilson <peterwilson@sent.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 14, 2025 4:55 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Immigration Enforcement



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Dear Supervisors,

I am a constituent living in Santa Barbara (ZIP 93110), and I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisors to take stronger action against ICE collaboration in Santa Barbara County. Our community is facing increased family separations and trauma due to ICE activity.

### I urge you to:

- Publicly oppose any collaboration with ICE
- Request the Sheriff no longer voluntarily cooperate with ICE
- Redirect county funds to support immigrant legal defense and community services

Our community values inclusion, safety, and justice. Now more than ever is the time to uphold those values.

Thank you for your attention and commitment to supporting our diverse community.

Respectfully, Peter Wilson

From:

Thomas Becker <tbeckerpower@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 14, 2025 4:58 PM

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Subject:

Public Comment d7

Attachments:

BOS public comment.pdf

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Please see attached

### 7/11/25

To: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

From: Tom Becker

Subject: Public comment, Item D7, Federal law enforcement operation

On July 10, 2025, Federal law enforcement agencies served judicial warrants on Glass House Farm business locations in Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties.

According to the Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of Justice, federal law enforcement discovered at least 10 juveniles, all illegally trafficked into the United States, on Glass House Farm property. Federal investigations of human trafficking and violations of child labor laws are currently being conducted.

During the operations at Glass House Farm's Santa Barbara County location, a video shows Salud Carbajal forcing his way past federal law enforcement agents who were securing the investigation areas. Carbajal struck at least one federal agent, and appears to resist removal from the investigation area.

In addition to Carbajal, it was reported that at least one Santa Barbara County Supervisor and a member of the Carpinteria City Council may have taken part in a crowd that intentionally blocked the street federal law enforcement was using to enter and exit the investigation area.

The above facts should be included in any statement, report or resolution generated by staff or the BOS as part of agenda item D7.

Thank you,

Tom Becker

From:

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Sent:

Monday, July 14, 2025 11:04 PM

To:

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Subject:

Comment Letter July 15 BOS Hearing Agenda Item Regarding Immigration and Customs

Enforcement

Attachments:

BOS Comment 2025 Item 7 july 15.pdf; Raids in Carp.Bob Smith Press Release\_

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Hello COB,

Please find attached my comment letter on the subject agenda item 7 for the July 15, 2025 Board Hearing.

Also included is the press release referenced in my comment letter.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Respectfully,

Lisa Sloan

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA ITEM COMMENT: "DISCUSSION ON RECENT ICE ACTIVITIES IN SB COUNTY"

Dear Chair Capps and Honorable Board Members,

The blight of human trafficking and other vices perpetuated by drug cartels allowed to remain in our beautiful county must be stopped. It's time to support the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers who work to protect American citizens and our immigrant friends who enter the country legally.

I agree with Congressional candidate Bob Smith who brings to light in his July 14, 2025 press release [copy enclosed] the urgency of recovering over 300,000 missing border children. Last week the ICE officers arrived with arrest warrants against those with prior criminal convictions. Meanwhile, Salud Carbajal stood against law and order when he protested the rescue of minors from suspected abuse and human trafficking.

Why would this Board support politics over public safety? Please discourage interference with the arrest of known criminals and recovery of exploited children. Allow the County Sheriff to collaborate and support the vital work of ICE.

SINCERELY.

LÍSA SLOAN

**ENCLOSURE** 



# July 14, 2025 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Bob Smith

### bob@bobsmithforcongress.com

#### Statement by 24th Congressional District Candidate Bob Smith

Congressman Carbajal turns a blind eye to Child Trafficking on Drug Farms While Accepting Their Contributions

It is imperative that we address the events in Carpinteria and Camarillo this past week with clarity and resolve. Here are the verified facts from the ICE raids at Glass House Farms:

- Federal agents executed criminal search warrants at Glass House Farms in Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, rescuing 14 trafficked minors from Mexico and Honduras from potential forced labor, exploitation, and trafficking amid a crisis of over 300,000 missing border children. California law prohibits those under 21 from cannabis work, with alleged violations uncovered
- Glass House Farms, targeted in raids at both Camarillo and Carpinteria, is one of California's largest cannabis producers: a 5.5 million-square-foot complex producing over 310,000 pounds annually, costing them only \$103-\$125 per pound to produce. Glass House Brands, the parent company, is publicly traded on the stock market under the ticker GLASF.
- DHS reports multiple arrests that include prior convictions for burglary, rape, kidnapping, DUIs, and child molestation.

These details demand serious reflection and accountability.

Rather than supporting law enforcement or the victims, my opponent, Congressman Salud Carbajal, defended the farm, overlooking child labor exploitation. Glass House Farms' leadership contributed \$8,800 directly to him from President Graham Farrar, whose farm is now under federal criminal investigation for child labor violations.

Carbajal showed up at the raid site, not to demand answers about the exploited minors, but to "inspect" and criticize agents, effectively shielding a major donor facing scrutiny for potential child trafficking and labor abuses.

In response to Carbajal's inflammatory claims in Noozhawk that "brown people" are being targeted to meet "xenophobic quotas," the facts reveal a targeted operation against criminal exploitation, not indiscriminate profiling. His rhetoric ignores the rescued children and arrests of prior convicted predators, while stoking division and endangering officers. ICE reports Carbajal participated in a violent mob that obstructed justice, even doxxing an agent by sharing his business card with rioters who left the officer bloodied from thrown rocks, contributing to a 700% increase in assaults on federal personnel. The media must not have seen the thousands in separate donations directly to my opponent.

ICE has reported that Carbajal's actions obstructed federal operations amid violence, undermining those who enforce the laws he helps craft. Why isn't he in Washington advocating for reforms instead of protecting donors and inflaming tensions?

California faces systemic corruption, with leaders like Carbajal prioritizing criminals over children for personal benefit. This transcends partisanship; it concerns fundamental right and wrong. Our children, laws, and communities merit better. Everyone committed to justice, child protection, and combating greed: join me in demanding accountability. Together, we can restore integrity and make California a place of reason, safety, and opportunity once more.

Join the campaign at bobsmithforcongress.com

From: Dylan Carr <dylancarr713@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 15, 2025 12:29 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Immigration conversation 7/15/25

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Good evening board of supervisors

My name is Dylan,

I was born and raised on the Westside of Santa Barbara. I listened to your meetings regularly during the COVID-19 pandemic to learn how to keep my family safe and appreciate the work you do for our community. Thank you for your time.

I am a direct descendant of one of America's founding fathers, John Jay, and I am deeply troubled by what I have seen happening in our community and across our great nation.

ICE has been racially profiling our community and indiscriminately taking people who look Latino off our streets. ICE continues to detain legal green card holders and even US Citizens. Further, the undocumented members of our community that ICE does take are not hardened criminals or gangbangers, but the backbone of our community. These are hardworking tax paying individuals who are, by and large, trying to work towards legal status. They have been holding down jobs for decades and adding value to our neighborhoods and our community. All while paying taxes into a system which they cannot collect benefits from.

ICE consistently violates the law by not identifying themselves, not presenting proper warrants for arrests, refusing to give reasons for detaining individuals, ignoring legal ID documents (like Real IDs and Passports) when presented, detaining legal green card holders and US citizens without attempting to confirm who they are, detaining US veterans and deporting their parents, keeping individuals in inhumane conditions in their detention centers, denying due process (moving individuals out of state before they can get legal representation), and when ICE finally export individuals the individuals are increasingly not deported to their country of origin. This is unacceptable in America.

United States law enforcement is supposed to protect and serve. Who is protected by ICE's actions? Not our community. No, our community is terrorized and living in a constant state of fear. Our neighbors, coworkers, family, and friends are terrified to live ordinary law abiding lives because masked men may descend upon them at any moment for no crime other than simply having the wrong color of skin. Who does ICE serve? Not the constitution or the American people. They increasingly violate the constitution which is the bedrock of our democracy and violate the rights of the American people. No, ICE is protecting Donald Trump's ego and serving Donald Trumps every whim. This is UnAmerican and should outrage every patriot who claims to love this country.

We support our local SBPD and appreciate their work protecting our community.

However, right now the community's trust in local law enforcement agencies is waning. They are see first amendment auditors harass our already frightened community with racist and confrontational encounters. Police respond but leave quickly causing the community to endure these vile harassments alone. During these encounters residents were told to "be careful how they exercise their 1st amendment in the future." Meanwhile, when the national guard was deployed against its own citizens in order to protect ICE... we saw footage of local law enforcement clearing traffic for ICE and police staying between peaceful protestors and ICE agents who were trying to break into a hospital. When the community calls local PD to ask what they should do in the event a masked individual takes their neighbor they are told only to call if they are the one being abducted. Our community deserves to feel safe and this response does not reassure the community that they are protected.

When individuals feel like their safety concerns are not heard or valued... some resort to violence. We do not condone the violence. However, we understand that it is a result of individuals feeling like they are out of options to protect themselves and their community.

Santa Barbara can and needs to do better.

Right now we need our city to empower our local law enforcement to protect our community. Order our local police, sheriffs, highway patrol and other local law enforcement agencies to not collaborate with ICE in any way. Including directing traffic for them or standing between them and peaceful protestors. Demand that ICE reveal their agents identities and ranks to our local law enforcement whenever they are in our community. ICE agents need to be held accountable for every law they break while operating in our community.

We didn't choose to be at the epicenter of Trumps war against America, but it came to us all the same. The soul of America hinges on the actions taken by the elected officials in this room. The rest of America looks to our community to find the strength to resist against the persistent attacks against our constitution, in hopes that they can find their own courage. Or ... they may look at our cowardice and likewise continue to allow Trump to trample everything our flag stands for, "liberty and justice for ALL."

ICE's actions are unacceptable, unconstitutional, and UnAmerican.

We are counting on you to stand up for our beloved Santa Barbara and the United States of America. Please, do not fail us.

Sent from my iPhone